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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- (Original) A portable electronic device comprising:

 an imager coupled to the portable electronic device;
 a laser scanner coupled to the portable electronic device; and
 an application specific integrated circuit (ASIC) comprising circuitry for communicating with the imager and laser scanner.
- 2. (Original) The portable electronic device of claim 1, further comprising a data blender adapted to receive data from multiple sources and distribute the data to multiple destinations based on a type or content of the data.
- 3. (Original) The portable electronic device of claim 1, the portable electronic device being a bar code reading terminal.

4. (Original) The portable electronic device of claim 1, the ASIC further comprising circuitry for carrying out at least one of the following functions:

power management;
wake up control and power down;
critical suspend shutdown;
warm boot and cold boot;
serial port for WAN radio;
matrix keyboard scanning;
IP security;
analog converters;
touch panel;
smart and dumb battery;
modular memory IDE interface;
fingerprint reader;
USB host; and
magnetic stripe interface.

- 5. (Original) The ASIC of claim 4, the smart and dumb battery function including a gas gauging function
- 6. (Original) The ASIC of claim 4, the smart and dumb battery function including a cycle life function.
- 7. (Original) The ASIC of claim 4, the smart and dumb battery function including a charge control function.
- 8. (Original) The ASIC of claim 4, the smart and dumb battery being a Ni-MH battery.
- 9. (Original) The ASIC of claim 4, the smart and dumb battery being a Li-Ion battery.

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- 10. (Original) The ASIC of claim 4, the modular memory IDE interface function including a NAND memory function.
- 11. (Original) The ASIC of claim 4, the modular memory IDE interface function including a CF card function.
- (Withdrawn) A portable data collection system, comprising:
 a bar code reading terminal;
- a data blender adapted to receive data from multiple sources and distribute the data to multiple destinations based on a type or content of the data; and
- an application specific integrated circuit (ASIC) having circuits for communicating with an imager and a laser scanner and at least one of the following functions:

power management;
wake up control and power down;
critical suspend shutdown;
warm boot and cold boot;
serial port for WAN radio;
matrix keyboard scanning;
IP security;
analog converters;
touch panel;
smart and dumb batteries;
modular memory IDE interface;
fingerprint reader;
USB host; and
magnetic stripe interface.

13. (Withdrawn) The system of claim 12 providing a shared data path into a system memory for both the laser scanner and the imager data.

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14. (Withdrawn) An application specific integrated circuit (ASIC) having circuits for communicating with an imager and a laser scanner and at least one of the following functions:

power management;
wake up control and power down;
critical suspend shutdown;
warm boot and cold boot;
serial port for WAN radio;
matrix keyboard scanning;
IP security;
analog converters;
touch panel;
smart and dumb batteries;
modular memory IDE interface;
fingerprint reader;
USB host; and
magnetic stripe interface.

15. (Withdrawn) A portable data collection system, comprising:

a bar code reading terminal; and

an application specific integrated circuit (ASIC) having circuits for implementing the following functions:

laser scanning;

imaging;

power management;

wake up control and power down;

critical suspend shutdown;

warm boot and cold boot;

serial port for WAN radio;

matrix keyboard scanning;

IP security;

analog converters;

touch panel;

smart and dumb batteries;

modular memory IDE interface;

fingerprint reader;

USB host; and

magnetic stripe interface.

- 16. (Withdrawn) The portable data collection system of claim 15, further comprising a data blender adapted to receive data from multiple sources and distribute the data to multiple destinations based on a type or content of the data.
- 17. (Withdrawn) The portable data collection system of claim 16, the data from the multiple sources being decoded within the system.
- 18. (Withdrawn) The portable data collection system of claim 17, the data from the multiple sources being decoded offline and processed on the bar code reading terminal at a later time.

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- 19. (Withdrawn) The portable data collection system of claim 16, the data from the multiple sources being routed through a common driver.
- 20. (Withdrawn) The portable data collection system of claim 16, the data from the multiple sources being at least one of biometrics data, magstripe data, and RFID data.